

FIXTURE GUARD PANELS AND SYSTEMS

ABSTRACT

5 Fixture guard panels and systems provide protection for fixtures such as tubs and
showers. The fixture guard panels may have a variety of configurations such as including
an enclosure formed of a flexible material that contains a padding layer. The panel may
be placed adjacent the fixture such that the panel protects the fixture from impacts and
abrasions. The panel may include individual sheets of material to enclose padding, may
include padding without an enclosure, or may include an individual sheet without
10 padding. The individual sheets may be materials such as polyethylene and/or non-skid
rubber. For panels with non-skid rubber, the panel may be positioned so that the non-
skid rubber portion contacts the fixture and will not skid. Panels may include flexible
sheets with adhesive that adheres to the fixture, such as upon vertical fixture surfaces.
Additionally, multiple panels may be included as a system. The multiple panels may be
15 interconnected at junctions that allow the panels to form fit to a particular fixture.